FISCAL NOTE

HB 2231 - SB 2252

February 1, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL:

- Specifies that all nonprofit entities and philanthropic individuals who sponsor charitable fundraising events are immune from a lawsuit arising from personal injuries and other property damage that occur at such events. This immunity would extend to the directors, trustees, and members of the governing bodies of nonprofit cooperatives, corporations, clubs, associations, and organizations, whether compensated or not.
- Removes such parties' immunity from such suits when their conduct is willful, wanton, or grossly negligent. The above parties would also be immune from personal liability only if such parties carry enough liability insurance coverage as determined by the Department of Commerce and Insurance.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

State Expenditures - Net Impact - Not Significant

Estimates assume that:

- a decrease in cases handled by the court system would result in a not significant decrease in state expenditures.
- an increase in state expenditures by the Department of Commerce and Insurance to promulgate rules and regulations concerning the amount of needed liability coverage would not be significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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